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Applicants: Beckmann and Cerretti

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For: DNA ENCODING A HEK-LIGAND POLYPEPTIDE (as amended herein)

Docket No.: 2814-G

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Washington DC 20231

**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office action of November 18, 2002, submitted herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time up to and including April 18, 2003. In addition, please amend the above identified application as follows:

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